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STRIVE FOR THE MASTERY.

Strive for the mastery I never gave in;

Never give up, no, never;

Always remember that those who win

Are those who make the endeavor.

Never complain of the want of a friend,

Expect not another to aid you,

Success must ever be self-depnd,

And toil will never degrade you.

Work willingly, then, nor let it be said

By those who would seek to upbraid you,

That a "streak of good fortune" has come to

your aid,

Or that another has "made you."

All that is wanting is latest within,

Is doubting, is dormant within you;

Awake from your slumber! 'Tis time you begin

To let the world know what you can do.

Wake up! all around there is work to be done;

Behold the wreck and the ruin!

Take hold like a man, for the hour has come

That should find you up and doing.

Wake up! what's the use of creeping along

Like a snail in the pathway before you?

Go forth like a man that is valiant and strong,

That humanity may not ignore you.

'Tis a shame that another's burdens should

be yours.

While you are well able to bear them;

'Twere better that you another's should share,

Or at least be willing to share them.

Earn the bread that you eat by the sweat of

your brow.

And see that you eat no other;

With a resolute will put your hand to the plow,

And never look back, no, never.

But on, on, in your forward pathway tread,

And well be that pathway beaten,

And be it of all men known and read,

That you've earned the bread you're eaten.

Then when summer and harvest is past and

gone,

And age is o'er you creeping,

You'll rejoice that you toiled when young and

strong.

Your life work well completing.

Miscellaneous.

A COLD ADVENTURE.

The New Terminus for a Balloon

Tour.

A private letter from Christiansia, re-

ceived in London, gives some details

concerning the French balloon which

fell in Norway. It appears that the

balloon was sent up from Paris on the

morning of the 12th. The wind carried

it in a northerly direction with such

rapidity that it soon passed over the

North Sea, without the occupants of the

car knowing where they were. When,

however, they found themselves danger-

ously close to the sea they sent off a

carrier pigeon with a message that they

thought themselves lost, at the same

time throwing out ballast. Ultimately

the balloon reached Norway, and when

over Mandal, a small town on the south-

east coast, twenty-three miles west-south-

west of Christiansia, a sack of letters

and newspapers were thrown out,

which fell among the astonished inhab-

itants, who were watching the balloon,

the aeronauts, whose name are not given

descended several miles further north,

on a snow-covered mountain, as best

they could and without even knowing

TERRIBLE RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

Seven Persons Burned to Death

and Thirty Burned or Bruised.

The Tuesday morning Northern

bound Express train on the Mississippi

and Tennessee Railroad met with a

terrible accident four miles south of

Memphis, just above Nonconah Creek.

As it was passing over a gulley the

axle of the baggage car snapped and

threw it across the track, breaking a

rail, which tore through from end to

end the first passenger car, crowded

with about 60 passengers. This car

was thrown down an embankment 8

feet, when the *Apalachee* says the stoves

were thrown down, and in a very few

minutes the

CAR WAS ON FIRE,

and the flames burst forth. Conduc-

tor Kirby, who was standing in the

vicinity of the stove at the time, was

pitched forward on to it, and was

burned on the face and legs. He, how-

ever, retained his presence of mind, and

was among the first to get out at once

of the windows. He then set to work

with a will to rescue the others, and

his efforts to do so were almost her-

culean. Among those whom he first

got out, was Mr. White, of the omnibus

line, who was frightfully burned. The

flesh on his face was terribly scorched,

and

ONE OF HIS EYES BURNED OUT OF THE

SOCKET.

while his hands were burned almost to

a crisp, so that both had to be ampu-

tated by Dr. Rogers last evening. Mr.

Feles was also badly burned, but is

likely to recover. The passengers who

had escaped with slight injuries did all

in their power to rescue the poor col-

ored people, and over fifty were rescued

from the burning car, which was in the

short space of five minutes a mass

of flames. The